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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: ERRIKOS PITROS  
FILED: CURRENTLY HEREWITH  
FOR: **METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR  
PROVIDING A SECURE DATA  
DISTRIBUTION VIA PUBLIC NETWORKS**

**Preliminary Amendment**

Mail Stop PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 40.